

Volunteer Role Description and skills profile

Role title: Walk Marshall, Hampstead Heath Walk, Sunday 18 April 2010

Why do you need me?

- Volunteer marshals are essential to make this walk a success and create the 'Team Macmillan' experience for all participants
- To provide support and encouragement to participants taking part in the event
- To ensure the health and safety of all participants along the route
- To ensure participants feel supported and have a great day!
- To make Macmillan stand out as the number one charity to complete a walking event due to our support before and on the day

What activities will I be involved in?

- Marshals must be placed at strategic locations along the route – i.e. every time there is a major change in direction or if the path is not clear etc
- Ensure people stay on track and do not get lost
- Add to the participants experience en-route by cheering walkers on and chatting
- Act as leader or sweeper to ensure all walkers are accounted for and finish the walk safely
- Offer any other assistance (e.g. sign people in, hand out snacks and water, tell people the time, how far it is to the destination etc)

What skills and abilities will I need to have?

- Happy to chat to people about the event and Macmillan Cancer Support
- Able to stand for a period of time along the route
- Able to assess situations for potential problems/issues
- Able to guide people and provide support

How much time should I offer?

- The role requires your help for approximately 4/5 hours on the morning of Sunday 18 April 2010
- But...any amount of time that you can spare on the day would be fantastic – even if you can only do an hours slot.

Will I need my own transport?

- You will need to make own way to the venue, but there is good access by Train (Gospel Oak Station) and Tube (Tufnell Park, Northern Line)
- You are advised not to drive as there is limited car parking at the venue

What are the benefits to me?

- The benefits this role offers include:

- meeting and working with new people
- having fun supporting 'Team Macmillan'
- gaining an insight into how an event like this works
- making a difference to the amount of fundraising raised by this event as better support encourages more fundraising

Is there an induction and training?

- You will receive a short induction before the event.
- A plan of the day's activities will be provided to you at least a week before the event.

What ongoing support/guidance will there be?

- You will be updated on the success of the event.

Will my expenses be paid?

- We pay volunteers' "out-of-pocket" expenses within agreed guidelines.
- Please contact us if you would like further information on expenses.

What's the next step?

- To find out more, please contact Richard Scott on 020 8222 9045 or email hampsteadheathwalk@macmillan.org.uk